

**REQUEST FOR FILING A PATENT APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

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MID-38 CON DIV	CLASS	SUBCLASS	10/024,881	3763

Address to:

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Washington, D.C. 20231

This is a request for filing a continued prosecution (☐ continuation ☒ divisional) application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial Number 10/024,881, filed December 19, 2001 entitled DENTAL ANESTHESIA SYRINGE.

- Enclosed is a copy of the latest inventor-signed prior application, including a copy of the oath or declaration showing the original signature or an indication it was signed. I hereby verify that the papers are a true copy of the latest signed prior application number 10/024,881, and further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are made punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

CLAIMS	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
	TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(e))	- 20 =		X \$18=	\$
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))			X \$84=	
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+ \$___ =	
				BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16 (a))	\$750
				TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =	\$750.00
	Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 CFR 1.19, 1.27, 1.28).				
	TOTAL =				\$750.00

- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 ☐ is enclosed ☐ was filed in prior application number \_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ and such is still proper and desired (37 CFR 1.28(a)).
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 04-0780. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

5. ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 1 and 6 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes).
6. ☒ The inventor(s) of the invention being claimed in this application is (are):  
Ingrid Elaine Hohlfelder and Chester Zdanowski.
7. ☐ This application is being filed by less than all the inventors named in the prior application. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.60(b), the Commissioner is requested to delete the name(s) of the following person or persons who are not inventors of the invention being claimed in this application:
8. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting the first line the sentence: " This application is a ☒divisional ☐continuation of application serial number 10/024,881, filed December 19, 2001; pending."
9. ☐ New formal drawings are enclosed.
10. ☐ Priority of foreign application number \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
11. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed. Please enter the Preliminary Amendment before calculating the filing fee.
12. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to DENTSPLY Research & Development Corp.
13. ☐ Also enclosed:
14. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to: Douglas J. Hura, Reg. No. 33249; Dale R. Lovercheck, Reg. No. 28638; Nicholas J. Aquilino; Anthony J. DeLaurentis, Reg. No. 24757 and Carmen Santa Maria, Reg No. 33,453.
- a. ☐ The power of attorney appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- b. ☒ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. ☒ Address all future correspondence to: Douglas J. Hura, DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC., 570 West College Avenue, York, PA 17405-0872.

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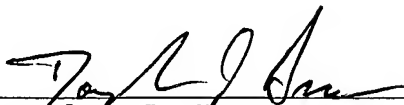
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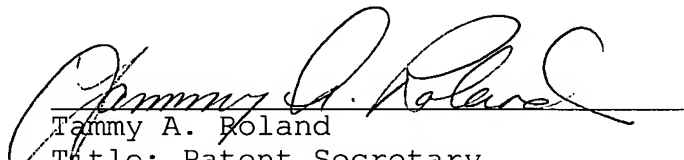
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